

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended) A power tool, comprising:
a motor housing ~~for containing~~ adapted to house a motor that is configured to drive a working tool;
a base coupled to the motor housing, said base for supporting the motor housing on a surface; and
a generally L-shaped handle, having a connecting member coupled to the base and a grasping member, ~~connected to the base~~, said handle for manipulating the power tool on [a] the surface,
wherein ~~the grasping member is disposed proximal the motor housing~~ the handle defines a channel therethrough with a terminal portion adapted to be attached to an external vacuum source.
2. (currently amended) The power tool of claim 1, wherein the base is [a] removable from the motor housing.
3. (original) The power tool of claim 1, wherein the base includes:
a base sleeve including a generally cylindrical aperture therein for receiving the motor housing; and
a support member connected to the base sleeve, said support member for supporting the power tool on a workpiece,
wherein the generally L-shaped handle is connected to the base sleeve adjacent the interface of the base sleeve and the support member.

4. (previously presented) The power tool of claim 1, further comprising a universal grip coupled to the grasping member, said universal grip being configured to be grasped by various sized human hands.
5. (currently amended) The power tool of claim 1, further comprising a grip coupled to the generally L-shaped handle, said grip being coupled to the L-shaped handle by at least one or more of the following: ~~coated~~ coating the grip on at least a portion of the generally L-shaped handle, frictionally ~~secured~~ securing the grip to the generally L-shaped handle, or ~~secured~~ securing the grip via a fastener to the generally L-shaped handle.
6. (original) The power tool of claim 1, further comprising a generally oblong grip coupled to the generally L-shaped handle.
7. (original) The power tool of claim 1, wherein the grasping member is substantially parallel to the motor housing.
8. (original) The power tool of claim 1, wherein the generally L-shaped handle is removable.
9. (original) The power tool of claim 1, wherein the generally L-shaped handle is connected to the base via a fastener.
10. (cancelled).
11. (original) The power tool of claim 1, further comprising a grip connected to the generally L-shaped handle, said grip being formed of vibration dampening material.
12. (cancelled).

13. (original) The power tool of claim 12, wherein the generally L-shaped handle is formed from shell portions.

14. (original) The power tool of claim 1, wherein the grasping member is adjustably positionable.

15. (cancelled).

16. (previously presented) The power tool of claim 1, wherein the connecting member is configured to support at least a portion of a human hand disposed between the motor housing and the grasping member.

17. (original) The power tool of claim 1, wherein the power tool is configured to permit at least a portion of a user's hand to extend between the motor housing and the grasping member.

18. (original) The power tool of claim 1, wherein the grasping member forms a back hand support for a user's hand when grasping at least a portion of the motor housing.

19. (original) A ~~removable base router~~ power tool, comprising:
a ~~generally cylindrical motor housing for containing~~ adapted to house a motor that
is configured to drive a working tool;
a base ~~adjustably~~ coupled to the motor housing, said base ~~including: for~~
supporting the motor housing on a surface;
a ~~base sleeve including an aperture therein for receiving the motor~~
~~housing; and~~
a ~~support member connected to the base sleeve, said support member for~~
~~supporting the router; and~~

a generally L-shaped handle, having a connecting member coupled to the base and a grasping member, ~~configured to connect to the base sleeve~~, said handle for manipulating the power tool on a workpiece[.]; and
a universal grip coupled to the grasping member and facing the base.
~~wherein the grasping member is disposed proximal the motor housing.~~

20. (currently amended) The ~~removable base-router~~ power tool of claim 19, ~~further comprising a universal grip coupled to the grasping member, said grip being~~ wherein the universal grip is configured for grasping by various sized human hands.

21. (currently amended) The ~~removable base-router~~ power tool of claim 19, ~~further comprising a grip coupled to the generally L-shaped handle, said grip being~~ wherein the universal grip is coupled to the L-shaped handle by at least one or more of the following:
~~coated~~ coating the grip on at least a portion of the generally L-shaped handle, frictionally ~~secured~~ securing the grip to the generally L-shaped handle, ~~and secured~~ or securing the grip via a fastener to the generally L-shaped handle.

22. (currently amended) The ~~removable base-router~~ power tool of claim 19, ~~further comprising~~ wherein the universal grip comprises a generally oblong grip ~~coupled to the generally L-shaped handle.~~

23. (currently amended) The ~~removable base-router~~ power tool of claim 19, wherein the grasping member is substantially parallel to the motor housing.

24. (currently amended) The ~~removable base-router~~ power tool of claim 19, wherein the generally L-shaped handle is removable.

25. (currently amended) The ~~removable base-router~~ power tool of claim 19, wherein the generally L-shaped handle is connected to the base sleeve via a fastener.

26. (currently amended) The ~~removable base router~~ power tool of claim 19, wherein the grasping member includes a terminal zone for coupling a vacuum hose thereto.

27. (currently amended) The ~~removable base router~~ power tool of claim 19, ~~further comprising a grip connected to the generally L-shaped handle, said~~ wherein the grip ~~being formed of~~ comprises a vibration dampening material.

28. (currently amended) The ~~removable base router~~ power tool of claim 19, wherein the generally L-shaped handle defines a channel formed therethrough.

29. (currently amended) The ~~removable base router~~ power tool of claim 28, wherein the generally L-shaped handle is formed from shell portions.

30. (currently amended) The ~~removable base router~~ power tool of claim 19, wherein the grasping member is adjustably positionable.

31. (currently amended) The ~~removable base router~~ power tool of claim 19, wherein the grasping member is angled between 0° (zero degrees) and 20° (twenty degrees) from an axis normal to the connecting member.

32. (currently amended) The ~~removable base router~~ power tool of claim 19, wherein the ~~connecting member~~ universal grip is configured to support at least a portion of a human hand disposed between the motor housing and the grasping member.

33. (currently amended) The ~~removable base router~~ power tool of claim 19, wherein the router is configured to permit at least a portion of a user's hand to extend between the motor housing and the grasping member.

34. (currently amended) The ~~removable base router~~ power tool of claim 33, wherein the ~~grasping member~~ universal grip forms a back hand support for a user's hand when grasping at least a portion of the motor housing.

35. (cancelled).

36. (currently amended) The ~~removable router base~~ kit of claim ~~35~~ 73, further comprising a universal grip coupled to the ~~grasping member~~ L-shaped handle, said grip being configured for grasping by various sized human hands.

37-40. (cancelled).

41. (currently amended) The ~~removable router base~~ kit of claim ~~35~~ 73, wherein the generally L-shaped handle is ~~connected~~ connectable to the ~~base router~~ via a fastener.

42. (currently amended) The ~~removable router base~~ kit of claim ~~35~~ 73, wherein the ~~grasping member~~ L-shaped handle includes a terminal zone for coupling a vacuum hose thereto.

43. (currently amended) The ~~removable router base~~ kit of claim ~~35~~ 73, further comprising a grip connected to the generally L-shaped handle, said grip being formed of vibration dampening material.

44. (currently amended) The ~~removable router base~~ kit of claim ~~35~~ 73, wherein the generally L-shaped handle includes a channel formed therethrough.

45-51. (cancelled)

52. (currently amended) The ~~removable router base~~ kit of claim ~~35~~ 73, wherein the base sleeve includes a dust aperture located at the interface of the generally L-shaped ~~hand~~ handle and the ~~base-sleeve~~ router.

53-67. (cancelled).

68. (new) The power tool of claim 1, wherein the grasping member is at an angle to the motor housing.

69. (new) The power tool of claim 1, wherein the grasping member and the connecting member are at a substantially right angle with one another.

70. (new) The power tool of claim 1, wherein the grasping member and the connecting member are at an angle of greater than 90 degrees to one another.

71. (new) The power tool of claim 1, wherein the grasping member and the connecting member are at an angle of less than 90 degrees to one another.

72. (new) A router comprising:
a housing adapted to receive a working tool and a motor for rotating the working tool; and
a coupling member extending from the housing, the coupling member adapted to be interchangeably connected to a knob-shaped handle and to a generally L-shaped handle.

73. (new) A kit comprising:
a router that includes a housing adapted to receive a working tool and a motor for rotating the working tool;
a knob shaped handle and a generally L-shaped handle adapted to be interchangeably coupled to the router at a single attachment point on the router.

74. (new) A router handle comprising:

a generally L-shaped member having a connecting member and a grasping member extending from the connecting member,

wherein the connecting member is adapted to be coupled to a router at a portion of the router that is attached to a knob-shaped handle, upon removal of the knob-shaped handle from the router.

75. (new) The power tool of claim 1, wherein the external vacuum source is not integral with the motor housing.

76. (new) The power tool of claim 1, wherein the grasping member is disposed proximal the motor housing.